

smuggled into the country are being clandestinely sold in certain markets. Intelligence is targetted against open display and sale of such consumer goods and raids are con-

ducted from time to time. The number of such raids and searches carried out and the value of goods seized during the last few years are given in the table below:-

<i>Year</i>	<i>No. of town raids/ searches carried out</i>	<i>Value of goods seized in town raids/searches (Rs. in crores)</i>
1988	7785	23.15
1989	7077	37.90
1990	12021	45.24
1991	3224	40.40

The persons found involved are penalised in departmental adjudications, are prosecuted in suitable cases and are also detained under the provisions of the Conservation of Foreign Exchange and prevention of Smuggling Activities Act, 1974 if considered necessary.

[English]

#### **Textile Workers' Rehabilitation Fund Scheme**

757. SHRI HARIN PATHAK: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether about twenty five textile mills have been closed down in Gujarat since 1985 and above forty five thousand workers have become unemployed;

(b) whether the Union Government have introduced Textile Workers' Rehabilitation Fund Scheme (TWRFS) to protect the interest of the workers;

(c) if so, whether about twenty six thousand workers are entitled for compensation under TWRFS Scheme and out of that only

twelve thousand workers got this benefit so far;

(d) if so, the reasons for not paying the benefit to the remaining workers under this scheme; and

(e) the time by which these workers are likely to be benefited?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI ASHOK GEHLOT): (a) As per the statistics made available by Textile Commissioners, Bombay, 22 Textile Mills (1 spinning unit, 19 Composite mills, 1 woollen unit and 1 weaving unit) have been closed in Gujarat since 1985, and as on 31st December, 1991 about 45,000 workers have been affected due to closure.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) to (e). 34842 workers of 17 textile mills were found eligible for relief under the Textile Workers' Rehabilitation Fund Scheme (TWRFS). So far 13425 workers have been paid relief under the Scheme, the remaining 21417 workers have not been paid relief

because their application for relief are under various stages of a scrutiny at the level of Official Liquidator appointed by the High Court and also with the Regional Office of the Textile Commissioner, Ahmedabad. Considering the fact that the mills concerned were closed on different date, and relief is disbursed as and when application and other documents duly verified/certified by the authorities are received, it may not be possible to indicate the time by which payment to this workers will be made.

#### **DTC Contracts with Schools**

758. SHRIMATI KRISHNENDRA  
KAUR DEEPA:  
SHRI DATTATRAYA BAN-  
DARU:  
SHRIMATI MAHENDRA  
KUMARI:  
SHRI ANNA JOSHI:

Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Delhi Transport Corporation has decided to review its contracts with various schools to provide them buses for carrying children;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the terms and conditions likely to be considered to provide buses for schools in future?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE  
MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT

(SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) to (c). Delhi Transport Corporation have no proposal to review the agreements with the schools for which DTC provide buses on charter basis to carry school children. The DTC Board have approved a proposal for the revision of hire charges for buses hired to schools.

#### **Export of Foods**

759. DR. RAVI MALLU: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have been promoting exports of various protective foods such as fruits, vegetables, fish and animal feeds etc.;

(b) if so, the value of exports of these items made in 1960, 1970, 1980 and 1990;

(c) the value of imports of pulses, vegetable oils and milk products made by the Government during the above period;

(d) whether the Government propose to review the position keeping in view the nutritional and food security of the vulnerable groups, specially women and children; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE  
MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI SAL-  
MAN KHURSHEED): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The exports of these items were as under:-

(Value Rs. crores)

Commodity	1960-61	1970-71	1980-81	1989-90
Fruits & vegetables and pulses	6	12	80	208
Fish & Fish preparations	5	31	217	687
Oil cakes	14	55	125	546